

Tuesday, July 28, 1998

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The Congress and President of the United States honored the memory of Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut in the United States Capitol Rotunda.

Senate passed Federal Credit Union Reform Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S9089–S9162

Measures Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2362–2367, S. Res. 258, and S. Con. Res. 113. **Page S9137**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 314, to require that the Federal Government procure from the private sector the goods and services necessary for the operations and management of certain Government agencies, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–269)

S. 2244, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to promote volunteer programs and community partnerships for the benefit of national wildlife refuges. (S. Rept. No. 105–270)

Special Report on Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals from the Concurrent Resolution for Fiscal Year 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105–271)

Special Report on Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105–272)

H.R. 1856, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a volunteer pilot project at one national wildlife refuge in each United States Fish and Wildlife Service region, and for other purposes, with amendments.

S. 2112, to make the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 applicable to the United States Postal Service in the same manner as any other employer.

S. Con. Res. 103, expressing the sense of the Congress in support of the recommendations of the International Commission of Jurists on Tibet and on United States policy with regard to Tibet, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S9135**

Measures Passed:

Federal Credit Union Reform Act: By 92 yeas to 6 nays (Vote No. 239), Senate passed H.R. 1151, to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to clarify existing law with regard to the field of membership of Federal credit unions, to preserve the integrity and purpose of Federal credit unions, and to enhance supervisory oversight of insured credit unions, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and taking action on further amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S9089–98**

Adopted:

Gramm Amendment No. 3336, to strike provisions requiring credit unions to use the funds of credit union members to serve persons not members of the credit union. **Pages S9089, S9092**

D'Amato/Sarbanes Amendment No. 3339, with respect to review of regulations and paperwork reductions, consultation with State supervisory agencies, the field of membership exception for underserved areas, and to require a study by the Secretary of the Treasury of member business lending. **Page S9093**

Rejected:

Shelby Amendment No. 3338, with respect to exempting certain financial institutions from the Community Reinvestment Act of 1977. (By 59 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 238), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S9089–92**

Authorizing Senate Legal Counsel: Senate agreed to S. Res. 258, to authorize testimony and representation of Senate employee in *State of Tennessee v. Ronald W. Byrd*. **Page S9161**

Treasury/Postal Service Appropriations, 1999: Senate began consideration of S. 2312, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of

the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

Campbell/Faircloth/Kohl Amendment No. 3340, relating to the adjustment in the rates of basic pay for the statutory pay systems.

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Campbell (for Grassley) Amendment No. 3341, regarding antique firearms regulation and an exemption for muzzle loader firearms under the Gun Control Act.

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Campbell/Kohl Amendment No. 3342, to make a technical correction regarding the Federal Financing Bank in order to reflect the true amount of debt accumulated.

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Campbell (for Sarbanes) Amendment No. 3343, to provide for the reform of the overtime pay of Federal firefighters.

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Campbell (for Cochran) Amendment No. 3344, to provide for an annual report on international services of the Postal Service.

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Campbell (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 3345, to express the sense of the Senate on the use of random selection of returns for examination by the Internal Revenue Service.

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Campbell/Kohl Amendment No. 3346, to make modification to Title III relating to the Drug Czar's office media campaign.

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Campbell/Kohl Amendment No. 3347, to make a technical correction to Title IV.

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Campbell (for Landrieu) Amendment No. 3352, to provide for greater access to child care services for Federal employees.

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Kohl Amendment No. 3355, to extend certain prohibitions relating to undetectable firearms.

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Campbell (for Chafee/Warner) Amendment No. 3356, to require the Administrator of General Services to acquire a lease for the Department of Transportation headquarters and to provide additional funding for security for the Capitol complex.

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Pending:

Thompson Amendment No. 3353, to require the addition of use of forced or indentured child labor to the list of grounds on which a potential contractor may be debarred or suspended from eligibility for award of a Federal Government contract.

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Rejected:

Feinstein Amendment No. 3351, to ban the importation of large capacity ammunition feeding devices. (By 54 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 240), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 49 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 241), three fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to waive the Congressional Budget Act with respect to consideration of Hutchinson Amendment No. 3249, to terminate the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. Subsequently, a point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 202(b) of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and the amendment thus fell.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Wednesday, July 29, 1998.

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Text of S. 2307 as Previously Passed:

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—241)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 6:58 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, July 29, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S9161–62.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Carolyn H. Becraft, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Ruby Butler DeMesme, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, Patrick T. Henry, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, and 5,101 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Ritajeau Hartung Butterworth, of Washington,